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SUBJECT: EXPANDED PAROLE PROGRAM - CATEGORY I

REF: A. BANGKOK 10762; B. BANGKOK 11107

1. WE HAVE SOME DIFFICULTY WITH EMBASSY PROPOSAL TO BASE PRIORITIES FOR MAJOR SIBLINGS ON FAMILY SIZE. WE RECOGNIZE DIFFICULTY OF FINDING SOME OTHER WORKABLE CRITERIA BUT WONDER IF EMBASSY RECORDS SUCH THAT IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO TAKE MAJOR SIBLINGS IN ORDER OF REGISTRATION. IF SO, WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY COMMENTS ON SUCH A SYSTEM.

2. IN ANY CASE, WE BELIEVE EMBASSY SHOULD PROCESS AT THIS TIME ONLY SPOUSES, PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, CHILDREN (UNDER 21 AND UNMARRIED), MINOR UNMARRIED SIBLINGS AND MINOR UNMARRIED GRANDCHILDREN OF (1) U.S. CITIZENS, (2) PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIENS AND (3) REFUGEES PAROLED INTO U.S. PRIOR TO APRIL 15, 1976. ONCE THESE RELATIVES ARE ACCOMMODATED, A FURTHER ASSESSMENT OF THE NEXT TRANCHE CAN BE MADE.

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3. IN ANY CASE, IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT BANGKOK QUOTA

FROM INITIAL AUTHORIZATION FOR 3,000 CATEGORY I REFUGEES
IS 2500. REMAINING 500 ARE RESERVED FOR OTHER LOCATIONS

BUT WILL BE ADMINISTERED CAREFULLY AND SOME OF THESE
NUMBERS MAY EVENTUALLY BE AVAILABLE FOR BANGKOK.

4. REGRET WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT EMBASSY RECOMMENDATION
THAT RELATIVES OF REFUGEES IN NIV STATUS IN THE U.S. AT
THE TIME OF THE INDOCHINESE EVACUATION ALSO BE CONSIDERED
FOR THIS PROGRAM.

5. IF ANY "A" NUMBERS HAVE ALREADY BEEN ISSUED TO MORE
DISTANT RELATIVES THAN THOSE LISTED PARA 2 ABOVE, NAMES
AND "A" NUMBERS SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO D/HA BUT
D/HA SHOULD BE ADVISED BY SEPTTEL OF THAT RELATIONSHIP.
SUCH CASES WILL BE HELD UNTIL IT IS POSSIBLE TO DETERMINE
WHETHER OR NOT THERE WILL, INDEED, BE ROOM FOR THEM
WITHIN THE PROGRAM.

6. CONCUR PARA 5 REF. B. LAO SHOULD BE PROCESSED UNDER
SAME CRITERIA AS VIETNAMESE AND CAMBODIANS BUT LATTER
SHOULD BE PROCESSED FIRST SINCE WE CURRENTLY HAVE NO
FUNDS TO MOVE LAO. KISSINGER

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